Resolution 2018-20

A Resolution for the City of New Castle to become a Supporter of Future Trails of Northern Delaware

WHEREAS, Delaware Greenways has been involved with developing walking and biking trails for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, they have formed the Future Trails of Northern Delaware planning coalition to develop consensus on a major trail network for Northern Delaware and will work together over the coming years to push its development forward; and

WHEREAS, by speaking in once voice, the coalition will be a more powerful agent in securing funds and keeping a focus on the community's highest priority trail projects; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle is a bicycle and pedestrian friendly city which supports a healthy and livable community for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle recognizes the benefits of better trail connectivity to neighboring communities and cities such as Wilmington, Newark and Delaware City and other trails in northern Delaware; and

WHEREAS, those benefits include economic development, enhanced property values, tourism, recreation, and safe transportation options for low cost employee commuting to area employers and access to parks, community facilities and retail locations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of New Castle hereby consents to be added to the list of supporters and provide its support to help obtain public input, promote trail development and work with other organizations to improve trail networks in northern Delaware.

PASSED this <u>10th</u> day of July, 2018.

Michael J. Quaranta, Councilperson

Linda Ratchford, City Council President

John A. Di Mondi, Councilperson

Valarie W. Leary, Councilperson

Michael M. Platt, Councilperson

Attest:
Brian G. Whitaker, City Clerk